IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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SUBMISSION UNDER RULE 114 - AMENDMENT WITH RCE TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

In reply to the Final rejection dated 07 July 2006, applicants concurrently file a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). This application has been amended as indicated below. This reply is timely. Should this reply require any unaccounted fee, such as for any claim surcharge and any additional extension(s) of time, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required to maintain the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 18-2056.

VIA EFS-WEB 06 October 2006